

I am opposed to the use of cell phones in-flight during airline travel. The nature of this type travel forces close quarters with other travelers with no alternative for change of venue. I MUST stay seated and listen, and potentially listen for a long, long time. Other public situations would allow me to remove myself, or suffer the imposition for a short time (eg, a few minutes in a grocery line).

What are the benefits of permitting in-flight use? Certainly there are some - I won't enumerate. What is the downside? You are permitting noise pollution where it is not necessary to safety or health. Please consider this!

I hope that cell phone usage in-flight is not permitted, but if it is, please at least consider some requirements such as a "no-cell phone zone" on the plane. Whereas planes used to have a no-smoking section and are now totally non-smoking, allowing cell phone usage would seem to be a "reverse analogue," from quiet to noise.

I am not opposed to 'progress' or the use of cell phones. However, this is not an ordinary situation. I hope the above comments help clarify the issues, which I am sure are many.

Thank you.

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